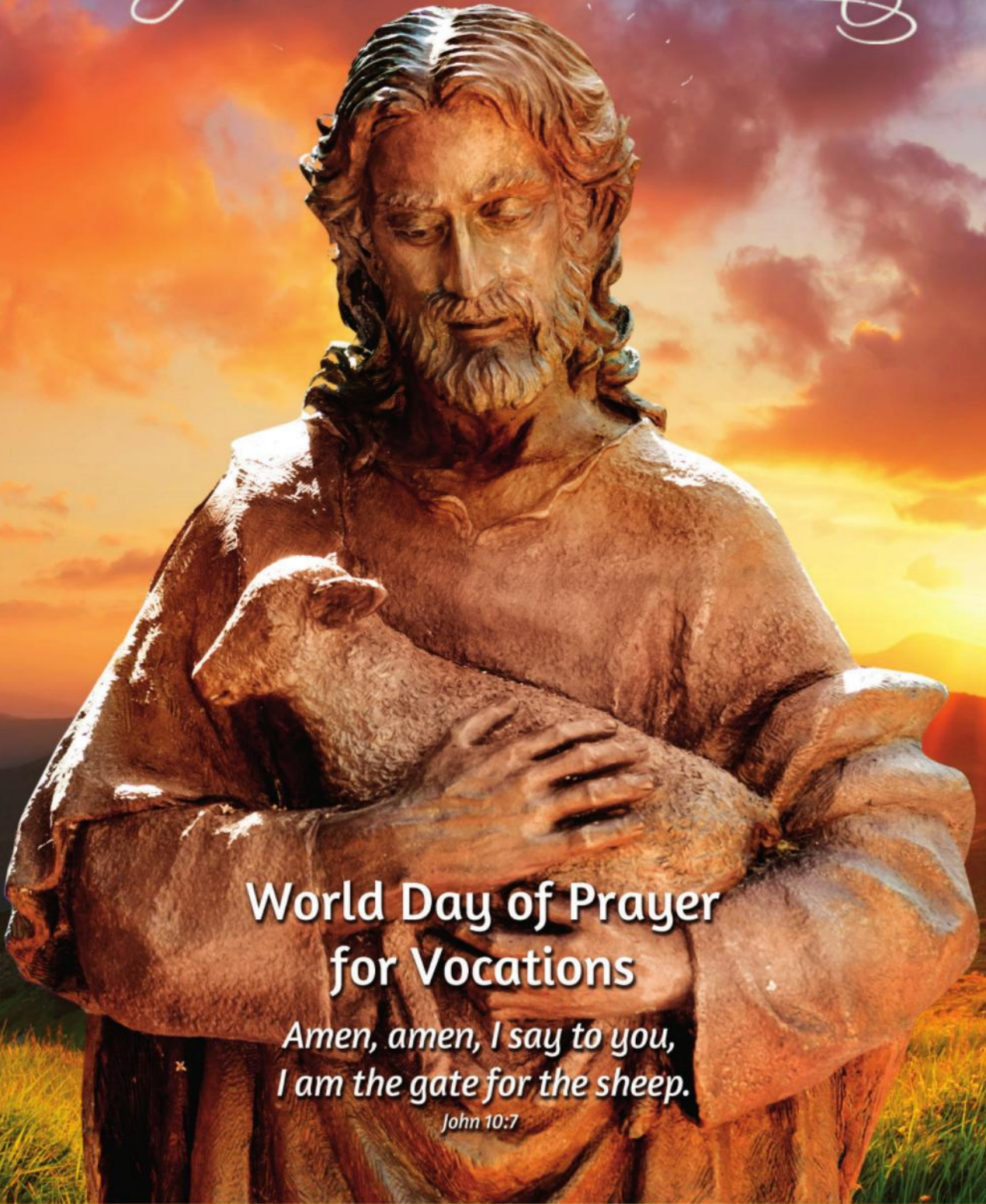


The Good Shepherd



World Day of Prayer for Vocations

*Amen, amen, I say to you,
I am the gate for the sheep.*

John 10:7

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MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI

7:00AM

TUES & THUR

5:30PM

SATURDAY

5:30PM

**1st Saturdays - 8:00am*

SUNDAY

8:30AM

10:30AM

12:00PM

CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT
4:45PM - 5:15PM

SUNDAY

**Please see weekly schedule*

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THIS WEEK @OLG

WEDNESDAY, 24TH

- 33 Days to Eucharistic
Glory Bible Study -
9:30am
- Choir Practice - 7pm

THURSDAY, 25TH

- First Corinthians Bible
Study - 6:30pm

FRIDAY, 26TH OFFICE CLOSED



SATURDAY, 27TH

- Men's Fellowship Group
8:30am
- Confirmation I & II
Service Day - 10am

SUNDAY, 28TH

BLESSING OF BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Teen ACTS Planning
Meeting - 1pm

New to the Parish?
**We welcome you to join
our faith family!**





TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are few openings for “Shepherds” in the classified ads today, but few occupations are as dear to the Christian heart. Most of us tenderly place shepherds by our Christmas cribs, name the Twenty-third Psalm as our favorite, and recognize “Good Shepherd” as a title of Jesus. Bishops carry a staff, called a crozier, modeled after the shepherd’s walking staff. Long before Christian artists painted Jesus on the cross, they traced on the walls of their worship places images of a strong young shepherd, shouldering a lost sheep and bringing it to safety. Springtime is the season of lambing, a time when the shepherd not only learns the faces of the new arrivals, but also when the newborn sheep become attuned to the voice of the shepherd. This is exactly what we do as a community in Easter as we shelter and guide the newly received Christians, and also put our Lenten muscles to good use: listening more attentively to God’s Word, and responding with springtime vigor to God’s call.

—Rev. James Field

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — There is no other name under heaven by which we are to be saved than the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel - I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).



MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, April 22

8:00 AM Fr. Jorge
Teresa Cuellar (d) - Luis Cuellar

Tuesday, April 23

4:45 PM **Confessions** - Fr. Abe
5:30 PM **Mass** - Fr. Abe
Healing of Priscilla Chavez - Luis Cuellar

Wednesday, April 24

7:00AM Fr. Jorge
Ernest H. Horton (d) - Pierrel Family

Thursday, April 25

4:45 PM **Confessions** - Fr. Abe
5:30 PM **Mass** - Fr. Abe
In Thanksgiving - Diane Wyrick

Friday, April 26

7:00 AM Fr. Jorge
Sandra Giselle Diaz Frances (d) - Parish

Saturday, April 27

4:30 PM **Confessions** - Fr. Jorge
5:30 PM **Mass** - Fr. Jorge
Robert Ivaldi (d)

Sunday, April 28

8:30 AM Fr. Jorge
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners
10:30 AM **Confessions** - Fr. Frank
10:30 AM Fr. Jorge
Vivienne Rettinger - Grandparents
12:15 PM **Confessions** - Fr. Abe
12:00PM Fr. Frank
Dolores Beardsley's Birthday

This weekend's second collection Is for Assumption Seminary

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group
Every third **Tuesday of the month.**

Please join us from **6:30-8:00 pm** in the
Madonna Room. For more information,
contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



The Men's Fellowship Group The Men's Fellowship Group meets on Saturday mornings from 8:30-9:30 am in the Madonna Lower Level. The current focus of our discussions is the weekly Sunday readings and sermons by Bishop Barron. All men are invited to join us as we prepare for Sunday Mass with scripture, spiritual discussion and fellowship.
Coffee is provided.

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Contact Greg Clary 903-714-0232 or irishgmc@gmail.com for more information.



Called to sow seeds of hope and to build peace



“Each year, the World Day of Prayer for Vocations invites us to reflect on the precious gift of the Lord’s call to each of us, as members of his faithful pilgrim people, to participate in his loving plan and to embody the beauty of the Gospel in different states of life. Hearing that divine call, which is far from being an imposed duty – even in the name of a religious ideal – is the surest way for us to fulfil our deepest desire for happiness. Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty and peace, wherever we find ourselves.

This Day, then, is always a good occasion to recall with gratitude to the Lord the faithful, persevering and frequently hidden efforts of all those who have responded to a call that embraces their entire existence. I think of mothers and fathers who do not think first of themselves or follow fleeting fads of the moment, but shape their lives through relationships marked by love and graciousness, openness to the gift of life and commitment to their children and their growth in maturity. I think of all those who carry out their work in a spirit of cooperation with others, and those who strive in various ways to build a more just world, a more solidary economy, a more equitable social policy and a more humane society. In a word, of all those men and women of good will who devote their lives to working for the common good. I think too of all those consecrated men and women who offer their lives to the Lord in the silence of prayer and in apostolic activity, sometimes on the fringes of society, tirelessly and creatively exercising their charism by serving those around them. And I think of all those who have accepted God’s call to the ordained priesthood, devoting themselves to the preaching of the Gospel, breaking open their own lives, together with the bread of the Eucharist, for their brothers and sisters, sowing seeds of hope and revealing to all the beauty of God’s kingdom.

To young people, and especially those who feel distant or uncertain about the Church, I want to say this: Let Jesus draw you to himself; bring him your important questions by reading the Gospels; let him challenge you by his presence, which always provokes in us a healthy crisis. More than anyone else, Jesus respects our freedom. He does not impose, but proposes. Make room for him and you will find the way to happiness by following him. And, should he ask it of you, by giving yourself completely to him. “

“...In this light, I would say once more, as I did at World Youth Day in Lisbon: *“Rise up!”* Let us awaken from sleep, let us leave indifference behind, let us open the doors of the prison in which we so often enclose ourselves, so that each of us can discover his or her proper vocation in the Church and in the world, and become a pilgrim of hope and a builder of peace! Let us be passionate about life, and commit ourselves to caring lovingly for those around us, in every place where we live. Let me say it again: *“Have the courage to commit!”* Father Oreste Benzi, a tireless apostle of charity, ever on the side of the poor and the defenseless, used to say that no one is so poor as to have nothing to give, and no one is so rich as not to need something to receive.

Let us rise up, then, and set out as pilgrims of hope, so that, as Mary was for Elizabeth, we too can be messengers of joy, sources of new life and artisans of fraternity and peace. “

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 21 April 2024, Fourth Sunday of Easter.

FRANCIS

EXCERPT FROM THE MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE 61st WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS.

Click the QR Code to read his full message.



Join the Ladies Bible Study Group as we study

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory by Dynamic Catholic.

This book study will be held for 5 weeks,
beginning on Wednesday, April 24 through Wednesday,
May 29th in the Guadalupe Room at 9:30 am.

We plan to consecrate ourselves to the
Most Blessed Sacrament at Mass on the
Feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday, May 30.

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persecution and other trials. Paul's message to the
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unity among Church members and introduces the
Corinthians to God's greatest gift – the Eucharist.

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1 Corinthians 1- 5

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Our main focus will be the back garden area with the Mary Statue.

Wear comfortable shoes and work clothes



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All incoming freshmen in high school (current 8th graders) through incoming freshmen in college (current high school seniors) are invited to attend this life changing convergence with our group. Scan the QR Code to sign up!!



Contact Kim Morrison at kim.morrison@olgsa.org for more information.

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Youth and Young Adults Calendar

April

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